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From: Amanda Robertson [mailto:amandarob@gmail.com]
Sent: Friday, July 28, 2017 10:14 AM
To: Tarr, Jeremy M <jeremy.tarr@nc.gov>
Subject: Renewable Energy Policy and Stopping the ACP

Hi Jeremy,

I met you at the NC Energy Future conference one Saturday in June at UNC Law School. We spoke briefly after your talk about the ACP.

I co-organized a rally on Wednesday this week in front of the Governor's Mansion in Raleigh asking the governor to speak out against the proposed ACP. Given his stand on climate, his support of the Paris Accord, his position against offshore drilling, and his executive order yesterday encouraging wind power and the promotion of solar energy growth in our state, it would make no sense what-so-ever to allow continued infrastructure to be built in our state for fracked gas.

The ACP and additional gas plants proposed by Duke Energy to be built across our state **would marry our state to nearly another half century with fossil fuels**. Natural gas IS a fossil fuel, and the methane leaks that result from it are more harmful to global warming than is equivalent CO₂.

I understand from your talk that it is important to the governor and his energy advisors - you - to have a balance of energy options available to provide reliability for citizens. However, given the truly dire situation we are in with climate, which I acknowledge the governor must be aware of or he would not have signed on with the Paris Accord, **we simply must not allow additional infrastructure in fossil fuels**. We must stop this at all costs.

1. Please advise him to **speak out against the ACP and new fracked gas infrastructure**.
2. Please advise him to create a **green ribbon panel** to develop a strategy on **how to minimize the impacts of the climate crisis in North Carolina**. This study should include a review of **sources** and types of natural gas used in North Carolina by utilities, industry, government, residential and other users as well as polluting sources of energy production. State and Federal **subsidies** to the fracking industry should also be reviewed. An analysis of distributed solar and wind energy and storage should be included in this study to identify **clean opportunities** to meet the same energy needs.
3. Please advise him to issue an **executive order banning fracking in North Carolina** until and unless the impacts of venting and leaking are reduced.
4. Please ask him to join with the governors of Maryland, Vermont and New York, and other governors across the country, to create a **national strategy to eliminate fracking and natural gas infrastructure**.

5. Please advise him to direct his Attorney General to determine whether he has the authority to meet these goals and, if not, to what extent – what other constitutional channels could be pursued to protect State interests? Interstate commerce? Health and safety considerations?

The situation with our climate is truly urgent. We simply must not allow new fossil fuel infrastructure to be built. And while big business may donate great sums of money to his campaign the people are the ones who elected him into office. And we are also the ones who will reelect him. Protect the people. Protect this beautiful state.

Thank you,
Amanda

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Global action for climate change has to start with people taking responsibility. Where ever they are.

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